

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we hear about "special interests", in this case persuasive Republican propaganda, and NOT objective reporting of the news. If Sinclair insists on running "Stolen Honor" they should also be airing "Going Upriver" in defense of the democratic way.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.